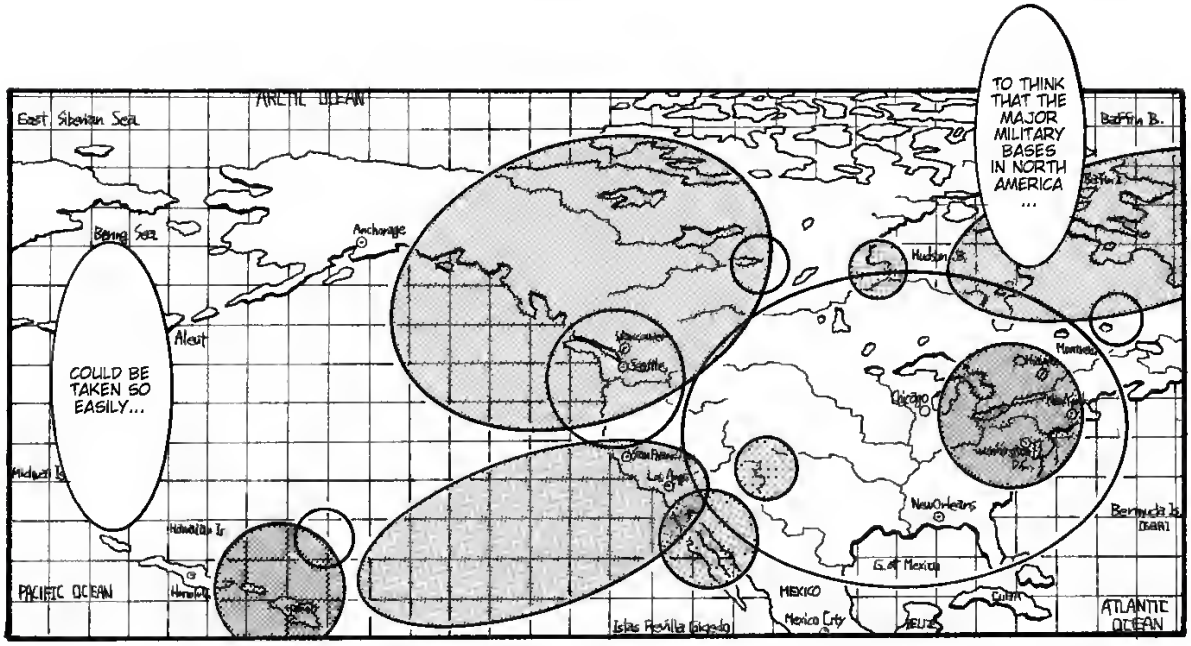


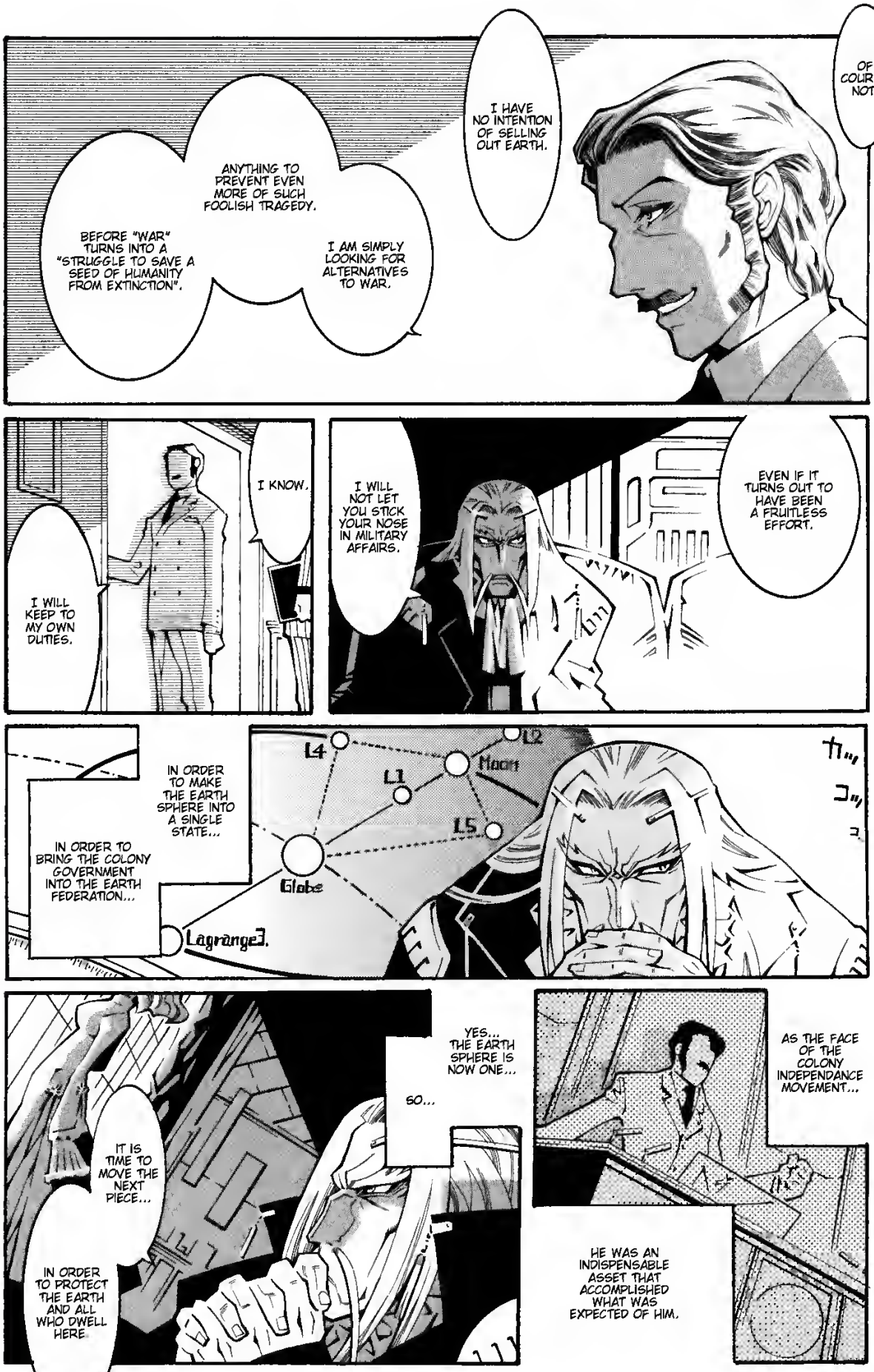
#17. LOST IN TRANSLATION

HOWEVER, THOSE WHO WERE BELIEVED TO HAVE COME IN CONTACT WITH THE GUESTS...
THE MEMBERS OF THE EOT COUNCIL, HAVE ALL PASSED AWAY...
I AM LOOKING INTO IT, MISTER PRESIDENT.
ARE THEY THE RUMORED "GUESTS" PERHAPS?
WHAT DO YOU SAY, AIDE MUBHAL?

AND IS CURRENTLY RETREATING ABOARD THE SHIROGANE.
COMMANDER KENNETH HAS ABANDONED LANGLEY BASE...
WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE NORTH AMERICAN FORCES COMMAND STAFF?
I SEE...
FINDING PROOF MAY BE DIFFICULT.

DEFENDING AGAINST ALIENS WITH SPACIAL TRANSFER TECHNOLOGY...
IT SEEMS THEY COULDN'T PUT THE LESSON LEARNED FROM THE L5 CAMPAIGN TO GOOD USE...
AND THAT IS WHERE THE "CHOUKIJIN" COME IN...
PARDON. IF IT SEEMED LIKE I WAS INSULTING THE MILITARY I APOLOGIZE...
CHAIRMAN GRASSMAN.
IS NOT SOMETHING YOU MASTER OVER NIGHT...
I AM NOT GOING TO START DEPENDING ON METHODS BORDERING THE OCCULT.
I WOULD PREFER IT IF ISURUGI INDUSTRIES FOCUSED ON BEING A STRAIGHTFORWARD MILITARY CONTRACTOR INSTEAD...
MITSUKO ISURUGI.
THOSE BIOLOGICAL UNKNOWNS SEEM TO USE SOME FORM OF SPATIAL TRANSFER...
AND THE CHOUKIJIN HAVE SOME WAY OF DEALING WITH THEM.

THOSE LOSSES WERE OF NO CONCERN.
THEY DO NOT COMPARE TO THE CURRENT THREAT POSED BY THIS ALIEN INVASION.
BUT ISN'T IT ALSO TRUE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN LOSSES CAUSED BY SAID UNKNOWN?
OF COURSE. WE TAKE PRIDE IN THE FACT...
THAT NO OTHER COMPANY CAN AID THE EARTH FEDERATION AS MUCH AS WE CAN.
WOULD YOU MIND IF I USED MY AUTHORITY AS PRESIDENT TO FORM A SPECIAL RESEARCH TEAM TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE?
SO, CHAIRMAN OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL...
DO AS YOU WISH...
BUT SURELY THIS OCCURRENCE IS NOT SOMETHING WE CAN JUST IGNORE?
ESPECIALLY SINCE WE HAVE NO WAY OF EVEN COMMUNICATING WITH THIS STRANGE ENEMY.
ARE YOU PLANNING TO GO DOWN THE SAME FOOLISH ROUTE AS THE EOT COUNCIL?!
BRIAN MIDCRID!
YES, SIR...
LOOK INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING CONTACT AND NEGOTIATING WITH THE ALIENS.
AND SPECIAL AIDE MUBHAL...

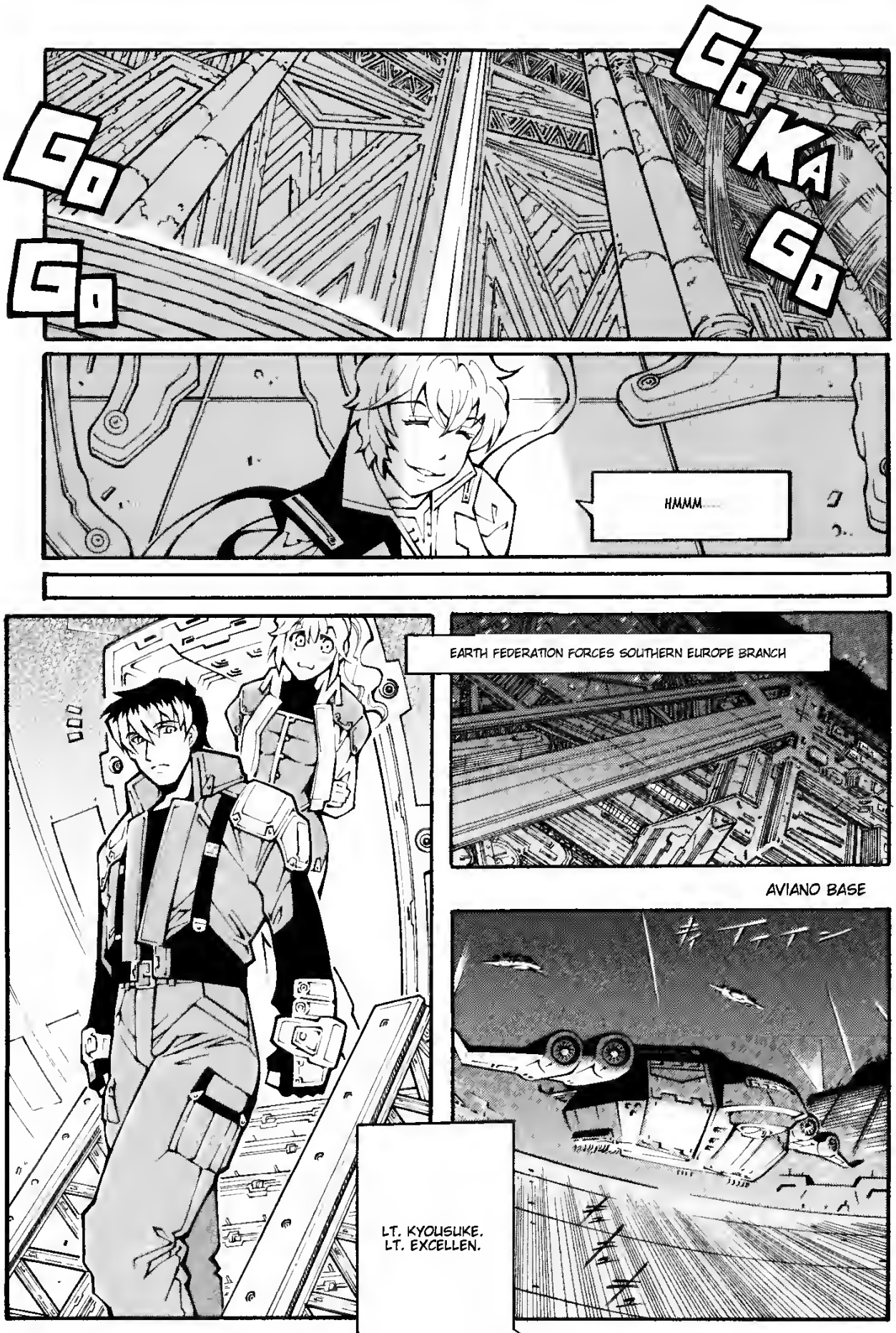

OF COURSE NOT.
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF SELLING OUT EARTH.
I AM SIMPLY LOOKING FOR ALTERNATIVES TO WAR.
ANYTHING TO PREVENT EVEN MORE OF SUCH FOOLISH TRAGEDY.
BEFORE "WAR" TURNS INTO A "STRUGGLE TO SAVE A SEED OF HUMANITY FROM EXTINCTION".
I KNOW.
I WILL KEEP TO MY OWN DUTIES.
I WILL NOT LET YOU STICK YOUR NOSE IN MILITARY AFFAIRS.
EVEN IF IT TURNS OUT TO HAVE BEEN A FRUITLESS EFFORT.
IN ORDER TO BRING THE COLONY GOVERNMENT INTO THE EARTH FEDERATION...
IN ORDER TO MAKE THE EARTH SPHERE INTO A SINGLE STATE...
L4
L2
Moon
L1
L5
Globe
Lagrange3.
YES... THE EARTH SPHERE IS NOW ONE...
SO...
IT IS TIME TO MOVE THE NEXT PIECE...
IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE EARTH AND ALL WHO DWELL HERE.
AS THE FACE OF THE COLONY INDEPENDANCE MOVEMENT...
HE WAS AN INDISPENSABLE ASSET THAT ACCOMPLISHED WHAT WAS EXPECTED OF HIM.

AND ULTIMATELY WHAT DO THEY ALL LEAD TO?
NEW INFORMATION... NEW DISTRIBUTION METHODS...
THE WORLD GROWS LARGER...
NEW TECHNOLOGY...
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?
NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES OF COURSE.
THE MOON
SEREVIS CITY OUTSKIRTS
MAO INDUSTRIES
ALIENS ...
I HAD MY SUSPICIONS FROM THE SHAPE OF THE MACHINE...
THEY REALLY ARE HUMANOIDS...

THIS IS MEKIBOS
SEREVIS CITY AND ITS NEIGHBORING FACTORIES HAVE BEEN SEIZED
VWWWN
PLEASE GO TO LANGLEY BASE IN NORTH AMERICA
I SEE IN THAT CASE LET THE BIOROIDS TAKE OVER
HOWEVER, IN THE END THERE WERE NO TRACES OF THE "HUCKEBEIN"
I THOUGHT VIGAGI WAS IN CHARGE OF LANGLEY?
I HAD VIGAGI GO TO TESLA LABS INSTEAD
THEY MAY BE LOWLY BUT THAT PLACE IS STILL A FORTRESS OF SCIENTISTS OF SORTS
YOU THINK VIGAGI IS UP FOR THE TASK?
IF YOU HAVE DOUBTS WHY DON'T YOU HELP HIM OUT?
THAT'S WHY I'M HAVING YOU GO TO EARTH
I'LL PASS ON THAT
I HAVE TRUST IN THE GREAT COMMANDER'S DECISIONS

LOOK INTO THE WHEREABOUTS OF SHU SHIRAKAWA AND THE GRANZON
YOU HAVE ONE MORE THING TO DO WHEN ON EARTH
I HAVE ALREADY TOLD THIS TO AGUUA AND SIKALOG
AS WELL AS CONTINUING THE SEARCH FOR THE HUCKEBEIN AND THE BLACK HOLE ENGINE
GOT IT
AND WHERE, IF I MAY ASK, ARE YOU, GREAT COMMANDER ?
DEEPEST CHAMBER
L5 SECTOR - WHITE STAR

IT SEEMS AS GOOD A PLACE AS ANY TO CHOOSE AS ANCHORAGE HERE ON THE FRONTIER
I'M INSIDE THOSE PITIFUL WANDERERS' AUTOMATED SATELITE
YOU ARE NOT GOING TO GO DOWN TO THE PLANET, COMMANDER WENDOLO?
ME? GO DOWN TO THAT DISPICABLE PLACE?
NO WAY, NO HOW!
I LEAVE THAT BUSINESS TO ALL OF YOU, BIG BROTHER!
IS THE PROTECTION ON THE DOOR REMOVED?
UNDERSTOOD
THEN HURRY UP AND OPEN IT
PWM


GO KA GO
GO
HMMM.....
EARTH FEDERATION FORCES SOUTHERN EUROPE BRANCH
AVIANO BASE
LT. KYOUSUKE.
LT. EXCELLEN.

WHOAAA!
WHOAAO!
I BID YOU LIKE WELCOME BACK!
NICE JOB TODAY!
YOU SMELL REAL NICE!
IT'S REALLY GOOD TO BE BACK!
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU WORRY!
KYOUSUKE, I WOULD LET YOU TAKE A REST...
BUT YOU'RE NEEDED OVER HERE.
UNDERSTOOD MAJOR KAI.
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YES...
YOU TOO GILLIAM.
THE BASE COMMANDER AND THE OTHERS ARE WAITING IN THE WAR ROOM.
....AND THAT IS IT. THE NORTH AMERICAN BASES HAVE BEEN SUPPRESSED BY THE INVADING ALIEN FORCES.
THE ENEMY'S FIRST MOVE WAS TO JAM COMMUNICATIONS.
THANKS TO THE BYPASS SYSTEM DEVELOPED AFTER THE DC WAR WE HAVE MANAGED TO RECOVER AROUND HALF OF OUR LINES OF COMMUNICATION...
BUT WITH THE COLUMNA SPACE STATION...
AS WELL AS THE WHITE STAR OCCUPIED...
YOU SAY "SMALL SCALE" BUT IT'S AN ENTIRE CONTINENT...
A SMALL SCALE BLITZ KRIEG WITH ONLY NORTH AMERICA AS TARGET...
AND THERE IS CURRENTLY NO WAY OF IMPROVING THE SITUATION.
THE SATELITE SEEKER IS STILL NOT FUNCTIONING PROPERLY.

THE ALIENS THIS TIME ARE SURE USING A PRACTICAL STRATEGY...
No time to be joking around.
WELL, FOR SOMEONE WHO HAS ACCESS TO SPATIAL TRANSFER TECHNOLOGY...
AND...
THERE ARE REPORTS THAT HEAVY INDUSTRY FACILITIES ON BOTH THE MOON AND IN NORTH AMERICA HAVE BEEN TAKEN.
THE CONCLUSION WE CAN DRAW FROM THAT...
THE PRECISE STRIKES ON MILITARY BASES DURING THEIR FIRST ATTACK...
IS THAT THEY HAVE GATHERED DETAILED INTELLIGENCE ON US.
OF COURSE ...
SEREVIS CITY AND MAO INDUSTRIES... NORTH AMERICA WOULD MEAN TESLA LABS...
THE MOON...
ARE THEY TRYING TO CREATE STABLE SUPPLY LINES?

THE PARIS HEADQUARTERS ARE HARD AT WORK...
AND HAVE BEEN DEVELOPING A NUMBER OF COUNTER STRATEGIES...
HOWEVER.
BEFORE ANY OF THEM CAN BE PUT INTO ACTION...
INDEED.
HEADQUARTERS WAS FOCUSING ON THE DC REMNANT IN THIS AREA, ESPECIALLY THEIR STOCKPILING OF EQUIPMENT AND THEIR INCREASED ORGANIZATION...
Moskva
EUROPE
Kiev
Paris
Atlantic Ocean
Rabat
Alger
Mediterranean Sea
Ankara
Cairo
AFRICA
WE MUST DEAL WITH THE DC REMNANT...
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, REAR ADMIRAL?
THEY BELIEVED THE REMNANT WAS MOVING FROM EASTERN AFRICA TOWARDS THE EARTH CRADLE.
SO THEY BEGAN OPERATION KILL MOLE.
BUT...
NO...
THEIR STRENGTH FAR EXCEEDED OUR EXPECTATIONS....
BECAUSE OF REMNANT REINFORCMENTS ...
OUR VANGUARD WAS FORCED TO RETREAT.
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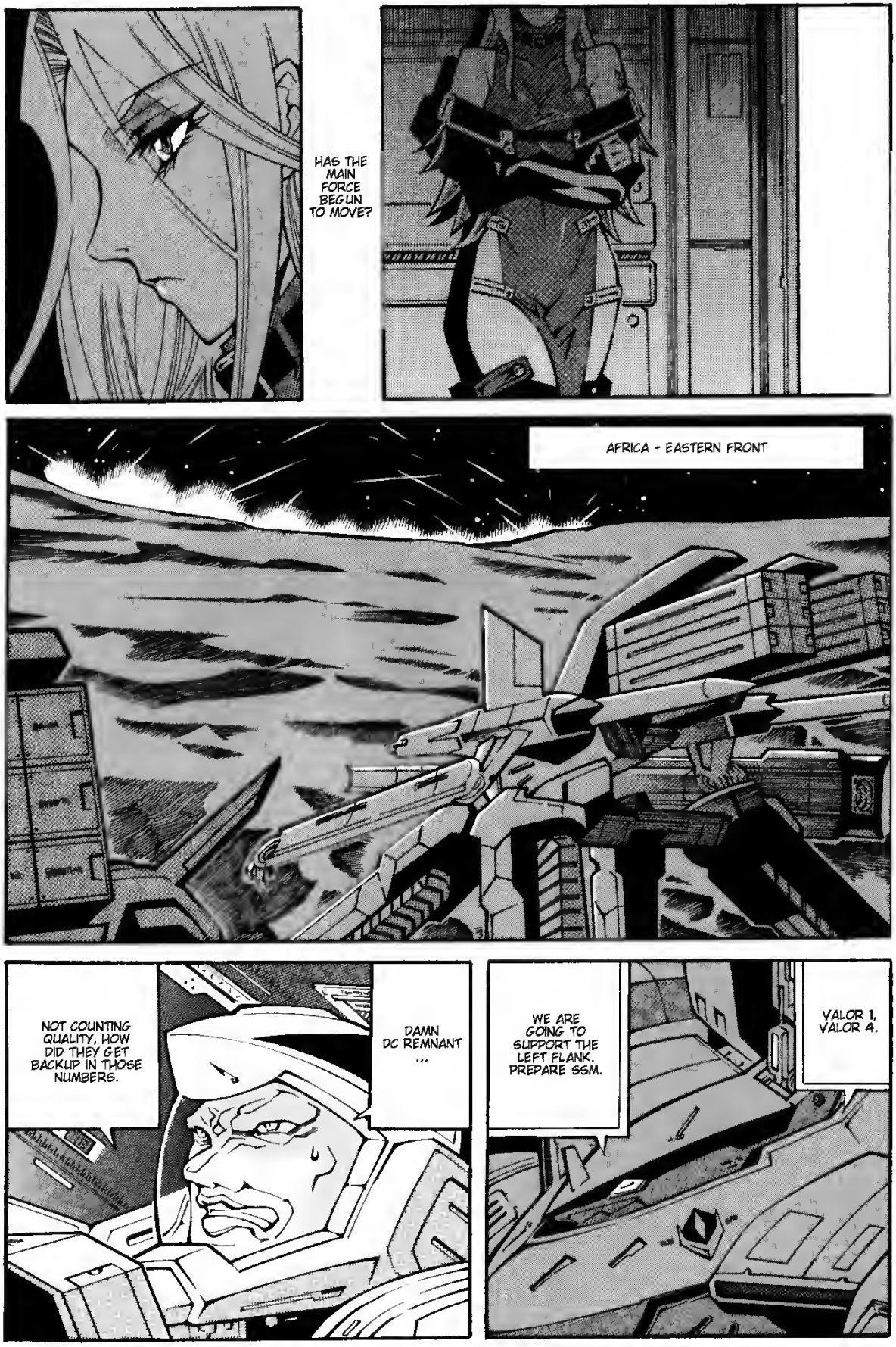
HAS THE MAIN FORCE BEGUN TO MOVE?
AFRICA - EASTERN FRONT
NOT COUNTING QUALITY, HOW DID THEY GET BACKUP IN THOSE NUMBERS.
DAMN DC REMNANT ...
WE ARE GOING TO SUPPORT THE LEFT FLANK. PREPARE SSM.
VALOR 1, VALOR 4.

I'VE NEVER EVEN SEEN THAT TYPE OF HOVERTANK BEFORE...
ALRIGHT FYLGIA SQUAD SEIZE FIRE.
WE'RE CHANGING POSITIONS! LET'S TAKE THOSE FEDDIE PIECES OF SHIT FOR A NICE WALK!
I'LL KICK ANY REMAINING FEDDIE ASS ALL THE WAY TO OHIO!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT SAVING YOUR AMMO!
YOU WORMS!
I'LL BURN EVERY LAST ONE OF YOU TO CINDERS!
TANKS ARE GOOD FOR NOTHING MORE THAN FILLING OUT THE RANKS!
THIS IS THE AGE OF THE ARMORED MODULE!

#17. END